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FOR THE SECRETARY FROM SCHAUFEELE

FOLLOWING TEL SENT ACTION SECSTATE FROM GABORONE SEPT 30:

QUOTE S E C R E T GABORONE 1833

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FROM SCHAUFEELE

DEPARTMENT PASS USDEL SECRETARY IMMEDIATE

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR, UK, RH, SF, US
SUBJECT: TRIP TO PRETORIA

REF: STATE 242257 (TOSEC 280045), GABORONE 001831, 001832

1. I CAN CERTAINLY PLAN BE IN PRETORIA EITHER SUNDAY, OCT. 2 OR
MONDAY, OCT 3. IF NOTHING ELSE INTERVENES COULD THEN PARTICIPATE AT
LEAST IN LESOTHO CELEBRATIONS, OCT. 4 WHICH IS ACTUAL ANNIVERSARY
DATE.

2. I GATHER FROM BRITISH THAT DECISION TO GO TO PRETORIA IS
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STILL OPEN BUT I AM UNCLEAR WHAT WILL DETERMINE WHETHER IT

IS NECESSARY.

3. OBVIOUSLY MOST IMPORTANT ELEMENT WILL BE MY INSTRUCTIONS
AND TALKING POINTS FOR RHODESIANS AND, CONCEIVABLY, SOUTH AFRICANS.

4. SECTO 28013 AND 28015 JUST RECEIVED.
SHOULD I ASSUME THAT CONTACT WITH RHODESIANS AT THIS POINT WILL
BE LIMITED TO US OR IS IT STILL POSSIBLE THAT ROWLANDS WILL GO
TO PRETORIA LATER? IN MY LAST CONVERSATION WITH DUFF BEFORE
MESSAGES ARRIVED (30 MINUTES AGO) HE SHOWED NO AWARENESS
OF POSSIBLE CHANGE IN PLANS.

5. WITH EXACT TIME DEPENDING ON PROBABLE US/UK
TALKS WITH KAUNDA AND KHAMA, I WILL PLAN LEAVE GABORONE
MORNING OF OCT 1. CONTIGENT ON RECEIVING NECESSARY TALKING
POINTS COULD MEET WITH RHODESIANS WITHER SATURDAY OR SUNDAY.

6. REQUEST DEPT. PREPARE SUITABLE MESSAGES TO
MBABANE INFORMING EMBASSY OF CHANGE IN PLANS AND HOLD OFF ON
ANY CHANGES FOR MASERU AT THIS TIME.

7. DEPARTMENT PASS PRETORIA IMMEDIATE. ALBERTI UNQUOTE ROBINSON

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